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In re Application of  
LIU et al.

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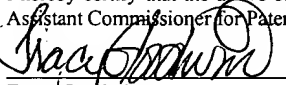
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For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR  
RESTORING COINCIDENT LINE  
AND FACILITY FAILURES

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 20, 2000, having a 1 month shortened statutory period for response set to expire on October 20, 2000, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 17-23 without prejudice.